Amendment

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Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended): A histological specimen retaining device for processing tissue, said device comprising: a foldable histological examination liquid permeable sheet having edges; a histological examination liquid permeable target disposed on the foldable liquid permeable sheet within the edges of said sheet; foldable histological examination liquid sheet and attached with a glue spot, thereby providing extended flap portions which flap portions are foldable to overlap the histological examination liquid permeable target; and a malleable material securing strip attached to the foldable histological examination liquid permeable sheet of a length sufficient to secure said folded flap portions overlapping said histological examination liquid permeable target, target, wherein the liquid is histological examination liquid.
- 2. (Currently Amended): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1 further comprising wherein the malleable material securing strip is attached at an edge of the <u>histological examination</u> liquid permeable sheet to <u>allow for closure and clamping of the folded flap portions as well as positive release of the folded flap portions.</u>
- (Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claimwherein the malleable material securing strip is a metal wire.

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(Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claimwherein the malleable material securing strip is metal foil.

- (Currently Amended): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, further comprising wherein the <u>histological examination</u> liquid permeable target is coated with a release agent.
- 6. (Currently Amended): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, wherein the <u>histological examination</u> liquid permeable target is a liquid permeable paper sheet <u>having a glue spot located thereon for attaching the histological examination liquid permeable target to the foldable histological examination liquid permeable sheet.</u>
- (Currently Amended): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, further comprising an X and Y coordinate marking lines <u>centered</u> on the <u>histological</u> <u>examination</u> liquid permeable target.
 - 8. (Cancelled).
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 - 10. (Cancelled).

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